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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, APRIL 12, 2000

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, ex rel.

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

Ex Parte: In re: Investigation CASE NO. PUC000020
of area code relief for the 757
Numbering Plan Area

ORDER ASSUMING JURISDICTION AND
ASSIGNING HEARING EXAMINER

On January 24, 2000, the North American Numbering Plan Administrator ("NANPA"),¹ reported a projected exhaustion of Central Office ("CO") codes in the 757 Numbering Plan Area ("NPA") during the first quarter of 2002. The NANPA conducted a meeting of the Virginia telecommunications industry on February 17, 2000, in Norfolk, Virginia. Various NPA relief alternatives were discussed with the objective of reaching an industry-wide consensus for planning NANPA relief efforts and reaching a single relief plan for presentation to the Commission.

On March 30, 2000, the NANPA, by counsel, filed notice of the industry's consensus decision to implement an all-services

¹ NANPA is acting as a neutral third-party NPA Relief Planner for Virginia under the North American Numbering Plan.

distributed overlay relief plan for the 757 NPA beginning September 15, 2000.

The Commission is of the opinion that public comments should be invited about the appropriate area code relief for the 757 NPA and that public hearing(s) should be scheduled in the affected area(s) to receive public comments. Therefore, the proposed implementation of the overlay plan for the 757 NPA should be suspended pending further order of the Commission. A Hearing Examiner will be assigned to accomplish this and to conduct all further proceedings in this matter.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) This matter is docketed and assigned Case No. PUC000020.

(2) Implementation of the proposed overlay for the 757 NPA is hereby suspended pending further order of the Commission.

(3) Pursuant to the provisions of Rule 7:1 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a Hearing Examiner is hereby assigned to conduct all further proceedings in this matter.

(4) The Examiner shall direct that the hearing(s) be scheduled at an appropriate place and time within the area served by the 757 area code to receive public comments about the best method for implementing a new code.

(5) The Examiner shall direct the Commission's Division of Communications to publish a newspaper notice about the time and place of the public hearing(s) and the address and docket number to which written comments may be sent.

(6) The Commission's Division of Communications, in consultation with NANPA, shall assist the Examiner with arrangements and scheduling of the time and place for the public hearing(s).